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Author Correction: Demonstration of Shor's factoring algorithm for $N = 21$ on IBM quantum processors

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The original version of this Article contained errors.

In the Experiments section, under the subheading 'Performance',

"However, the amplification of the peaks $|000\rangle$, $|101\rangle$ and $|110\rangle$ is clearly visible from the processor outcomes".

now reads:

"However, the amplification of the peaks $|000\rangle$, $|011\rangle$ and $|101\rangle$ is clearly visible from the processor outcomes."

In addition, under the subheading 'Factoring $N = 21$ ',

"The measured probability distributions in Fig. 7 are peaked in probability for the outcomes 000 ($\phi_s = 0$), 101 ($\phi_s = 5$), and 110 ($\phi_s = 6$), with ideal probabilities of 0.35, 0.25 and 0.25, respectively."

now reads:

"The measured probability distributions in Fig. 7 are peaked in probability for the outcomes 000 ($\phi_s = 0$), 011 ($\phi_s = 3$), and 101 ($\phi_s = 5$), with ideal probabilities of 0.35, 0.25 and 0.25, respectively."

Finally, under the same subheading,

"On the other hand, the continued fraction expansion of $\phi = 6/8$ gives $\{0, 1, 3/4\}$ and incorrectly gives $r = 4$ as the order (see Supplementary information VII for details)."

now reads:

"On the other hand, the continued fraction expansion of $\phi = 3/8$ also gives $r = 3$, while adjacent outcomes that have an appreciable but lower probability do not give the correct order, for example $\phi = 6/8$ gives $\{0, 1, 3/4\}$ and incorrectly gives $r = 4$ as the order (see Supplementary information VII for details)."

The original Article has been corrected.

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